

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐ no ☒

Property Name: Falls Road Veterinary Hospital Inventory Number: M: 29-61  
Address: 10229 Falls Road Historic district: ☐ yes ☒ no  
City: Potomac Zip Code: 20854 County: Montgomery  
USGS Quadrangle(s): Rockville  
Property Owner: William Amoroso III Tax Account ID Number: 00851273  
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): blockA It1 Tax Map Number: FP43  
Project: Falls Road Hiker/Biker Trail Agency: Montgomery Co Dept of Public Works & Tr  
Agency Prepared By: John Milner Associates, Inc.  
Preparer's Name: Sarah Traum Date Prepared: 3/14/2005  
Documentation is presented in: Montgomery County Historical Society  
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: ☐ Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended  
Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G  
*Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:*  
Name of the District/Property: \_\_\_\_\_  
Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Eligible: ☐ yes ☐ no Listed: ☐ yes ☐ no  
Site visit by MHT Staf ☐ yes ☒ no Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Property and Justification:** *(Please attach map and photo)*

This building was originally built as a mid-twentieth century dwelling, but was converted to commercial use in the late twentieth century. This building consists of a historic core, the original residence, and a large commercial addition to the front (west) of this core. The core of this building appears to be a one-and-one-half story, cross-gabled Tudor Revival cottage. This core appears to be four bays wide and two bays deep. The exterior of the core has a stucco finish, smooth on the first floor and rough cast with false timbers on the second floor. An asphalt-shingle roof caps the core. The windows are one-over-one double hung sash and casement windows, all with rowlock brick sills. A skylight is located on the front cross gable portion of the core. On the front (west) gable of the core is a stucco exterior chimney. Adjoining the west elevation of the core is a modern, one-story commercial addition. This addition has an irregular form capped with a hipped, asphalt-shingle roof. The addition has a stucco finish and casement windows with several skylights.

Two small sheds are located to the rear (east) of the building. A vertical-board fence encloses part of the east and south portions of the lot. Around the base of the building, shrubs serve as foundation plantings. Two concrete driveways lead into the property, one from Falls Road, west of the building, and the other from Woodford Road, northeast of the building. Both of these driveways lead to parking areas.

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Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended ☒  
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**MHT Comments:**

John Parkinson  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Reviewer, National Register Program

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Through the mid-twentieth century, the area around the south portion of Falls Road in Montgomery County, where this property is located, was focused on agriculture, with many small farms along the road. At the south end of Falls Road is the crossroads community of Potomac (formerly Offutt's Crossroads). This community grew up in the early nineteenth century to serve the needs of local residents. Beginning in the mid-twentieth century, many of the small farms along Falls Road were purchased for subdivision for new housing developments (Sween and Offutt 1999:171).

According to assessment records, this building was built in 1946. No building appears at this location on the 1944 Rockville, MD.-VA., USGS quadrangle (USGS 1944), and a brick building, presumably the core of the current structure, is shown at this location in a 1949 property atlas (Klinge 1949). This lot is part of the "Ketcham's Subdivision." The present appearance of this building dates to two building campaigns in the 1990s. The first and larger addition, in 1990-1991 (Montgomery County Permitting Services Permit #908240065), and the second in 1995-1996 (Montgomery County Permitting Services Permit #969110072).

This building is not recommended eligible for listing in the Maryland Inventory of Historic Places and National Register of Historic Places because it has lost integrity of design, setting, and materials through the construction of the large commercial addition to the historic core. This addition changed the setting of the building from that of a dwelling to that of a commercial building, complete with large concrete parking areas. The addition also diminishes the integrity of design and materials of the core.

## References cited:

Klinge, F.H.M.

1949 Atlas of Montgomery County, Maryland, vol. 2, F.H.M. Klinge, Lansdale, PA.

Sween, Jane C., and William Offutt

1999 Montgomery County: Centuries of Change: An Illustrated History. Sun Valley, CA: American History Press.

United States Geological Survey (USGS)

1944 Rockville, MD.-VA., Quadrangle, 15-minute series. United States Geological Survey. Washington, D.C.

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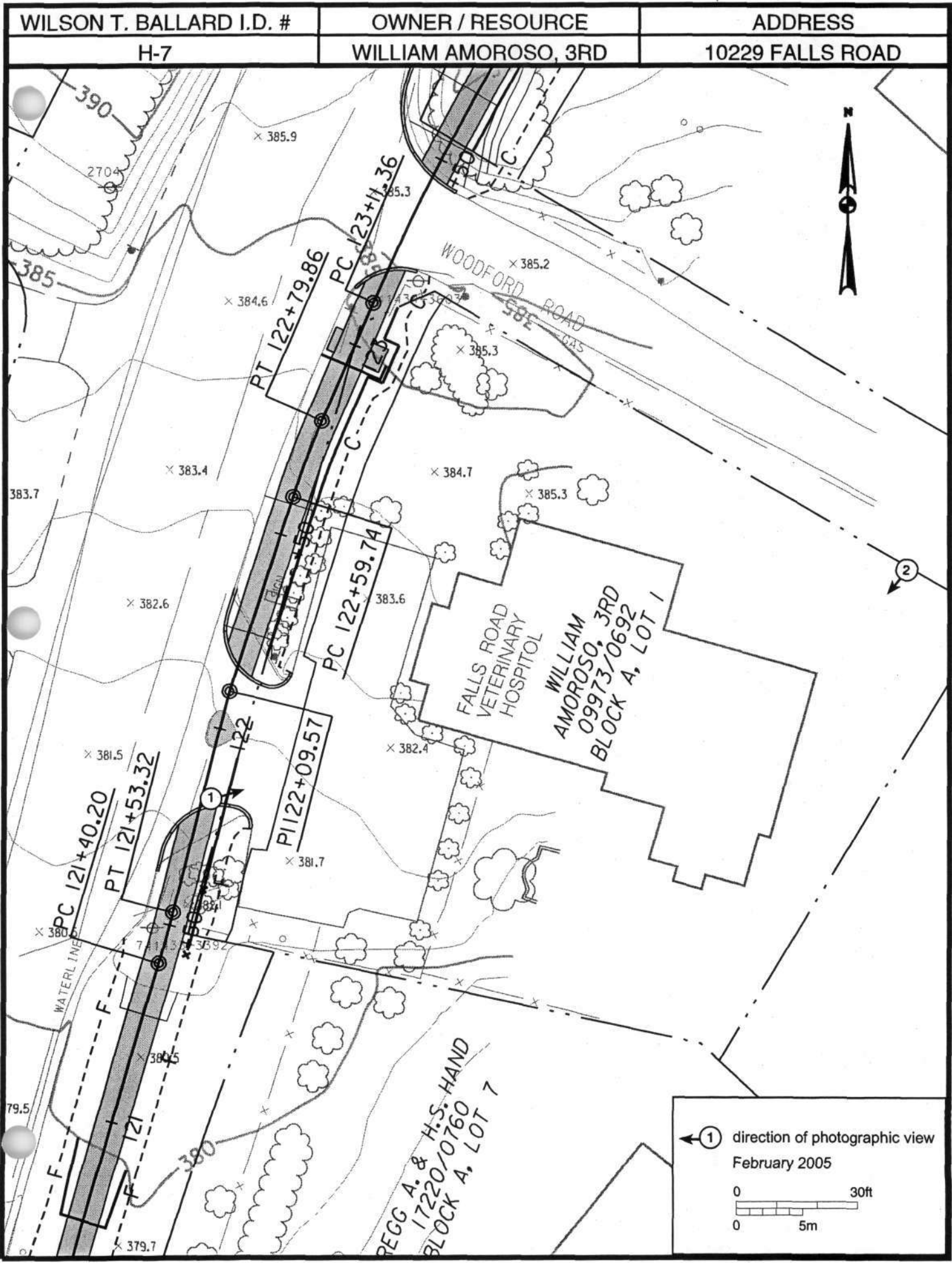
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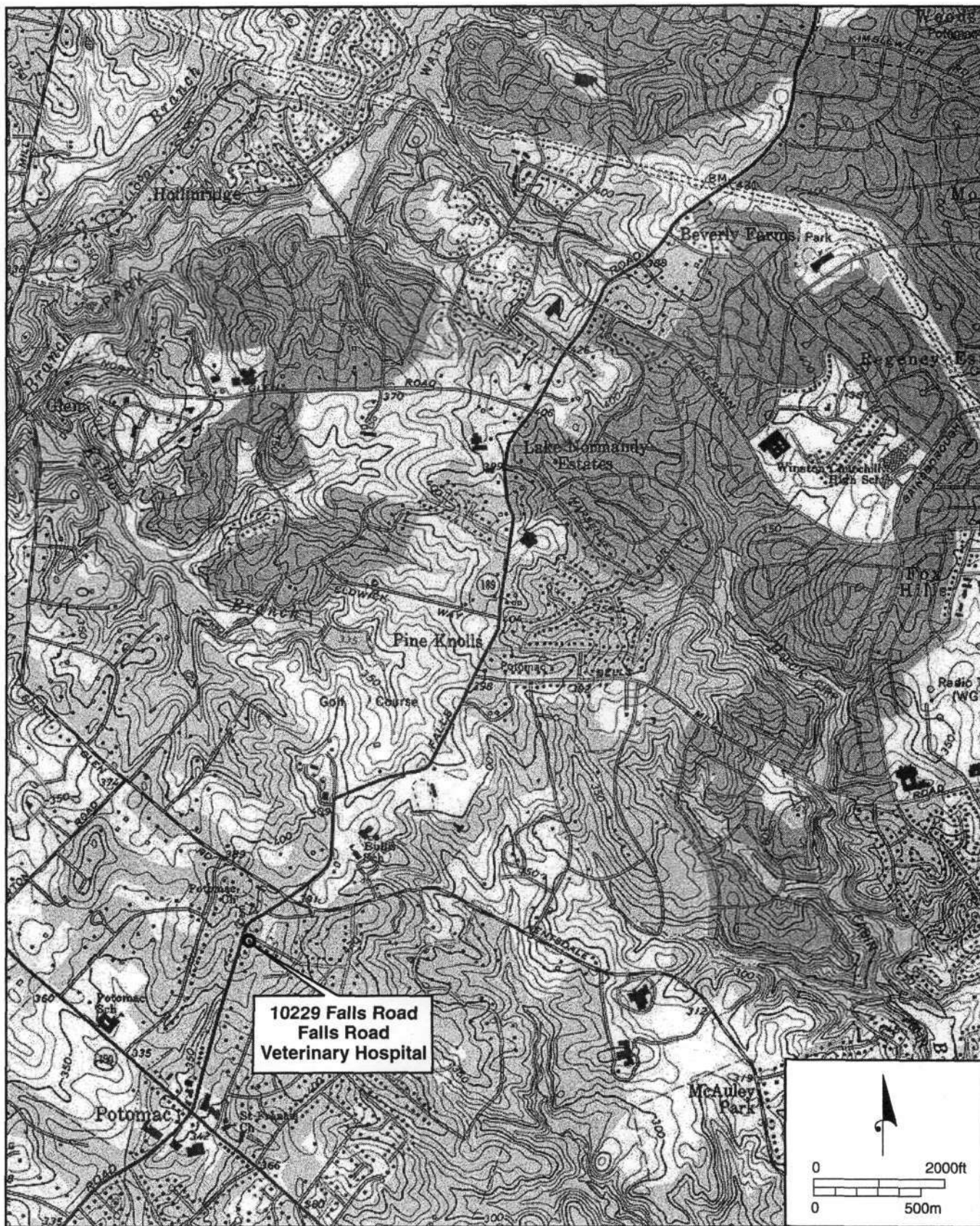
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Rockville, MD-VA. 7.5-minute quadrangle. Reston, VA:1984.

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